

BRECKONS' ATKINSON NAMED

SUCCEEDS BRECKONS AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HAWAII—NEWS RECEIVED IN A SPECIAL CABLE TO THE STAR WHICH TOOK THE TOWN BY SURPRISE—HARR'S REPORT SUSTAINED BRECKONS' ADMINISTRATION.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE STAR.

WASHINGTON, D. C., FEBRUARY 25.—A. L. C. ATKINSON HAS BEEN APPOINTED UNITED STATES DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAII TO SUCCEED R. W. BRECKONS.

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 25.—The President has nominated A. L. C. Atkinson to succeed R. W. Breckons as United States District Attorney for Hawaii.

Breckons' resignation has been filed with the Department of Justice. An investigation has been made into charges against Breckons, among them being that while federal attorney he defended criminal cases in the Territorial courts.

The Department of Justice says that Breckons' resignation was not requested and that he gave no special reason for resigning except that he wished to continue to devote his attention to private practice.

The above special cable from the Washington correspondent of The Star this morning gave Honolulu the news that Atkinson had been named by President Roosevelt as United States District Attorney. It was a complete surprise, both as to the appointment and as to the sudden acceptance of Breckons' resignation. In fact the town was hardly ever more completely taken by surprise than by this piece of news.

"It is a complete surprise to me," said Breckons, who had not heard of it until informed by The Star. Neither had Atkinson. It is stated that Breckons' resignation was offered some time ago, as an alternative to agreeing to cease private practice if he retained the office.

FOR SCHOOL SITE CONDEMNATIONS

Besides the final passage of the House joint resolution for the creation of a commission to investigate the fruit growing industry and report findings thereon, the only important matter on which final action was taken by the Senate today was the amendment of the law of eminent domain. This measure enables the Government to condemn private land for school purposes, a power that it did not before possess.

Coelho aired a fresh personal grievance, the Senate hearing in silence his complaint that a letter from Chief Justice Hartwell, referring to the complainant's resolution on probate delays, was published in the Advertiser before it was received by the Senate.

Chief Justice Hartwell informed a Star reporter at noon that he sent the letter to the Senate at a quarter to four o'clock yesterday afternoon.

SEVENTH DAY.

After preliminaries this morning a letter from Chief Justice Hartwell, referring to Coelho's resolution about delayed probate cases, was read and Coelho rose to complain that the letter had already been published in the Advertiser. This he regarded as a breach of courtesy toward a member of the Senate.

RESOLUTIONS.

Robinson presented a resolution to appropriate \$14,000 for the maintenance of Malulu Hospital, Wailuku, and moved for its adoption.

Knudsen said the motion was out of order.

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DISHONEST FOODSTUFFS

COMMISSIONER DUNCAN REPORTS ADULTERATED FOOD AND DRINK ON THREE ISLANDS.

Food Commissioner R. A. Duncan, in a report for two months to the Board of Health, tells of an inspection of food and drink on Hawaii and Maui which he made. He says:

"During the trip particular attention was paid to the inspection of stores of all the towns passed through and a number of samples taken for analysis, the results being given below. Practically the same condition as to food supply apply on the other islands as on Oahu, but a number of brands condemned as adulterated years ago in Honolulu were found on sale in Hilo and on Maui. In these cases I informed the dealers of the violation of the law in selling these goods and explained wherein they did not comply with the law. In all cases where samples of goods on sale on Hawaii and Maui have been examined from stock on sale in Honolulu, no new samples were taken. Practically all the samples taken for analysis are, therefore, from brands not now on sale in Honolulu."

In his examination of soda water from seven manufacturers on Hawaii and Maui he found that five of these were not adulterating their products with saccharine in place of sugar. The Hamakua Soda Works at Kapaolu and the Hygeia Soda Works at Kahului were adulterating their beverages with that substitute for sugar.

Wild Rose brand of honey packed by the Pacific Coast Syrup Co., adulterated with glucose, was obtained from the Kahului Store.

The same place yielded a sample of salad oil from France which was cotton seed oil not labeled as such according to law.

Another illicit sample from the Kahului store consisted of boiled cider containing benzoic acid that was not indicated on the label. It came from Goldberg, Bowen & Co., San Francisco.

H. Akona, Waimua, was selling coffee adulterated with roasted cereals and chicory in unlabeled one-pound packages.

Maui Dry Goods and Grocery Co., Wailuku, was caught with vanilla and lemon extracts, the vanilla adulterated with cumarin and the lemon containing "only a trace of oil of lemon." These dishonest goods came from the Boston Store in Chicago.

Four hundred and seventy-two packages of food products were condemned as unfit for food on Hawaii and Maui. One lot of 175 pounds prunes was condemned in Honolulu.

In December out of 76 samples of milk examined in Honolulu, D. Telles furnished a sample of skimmed milk and samples of watered milk were furnished by D. Telles, Lam Kee, Yee Cheung and Hop On, the three last being restaurant keepers. In January out of 77 samples, Yee Cheung was the purveyor of the single bad lot found.

Dr. J. S. B. Pratt, general sanitary officer, in his report gives the following list of vegetables and fruits condemned in Honolulu in January:

Apples 258, figs 381, mangoes 3, pears 468, cucumbers 149, onions (bunches) 222, pumpkins 27, bananas (hands) 299, grapes (lbs.) 135, oranges 221, pineapples 95, lettuce (bunches) 163, onions (Cal. lbs.) 129, squashes 51, watermelons (bunches) 77, breadfruit 16, limes 332, papayas 142, cabbages 293, leau (bunches) 95, potatoes (lbs.) 127, tomatoes (lbs.) 203.

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SHIP SUBSIDY IS APPROVED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 25.—The ocean mail subsidy bill has been favorably reported in the House.

A NEW BOARD OF STRATEGY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 25.—A joint army and navy commission has been appointed to consider the navy yards required for strategic purposes for the maintenance of the fleet in readiness for active service.

PEKING LETTER TO TAFT.

PEKING, February 25.—The government has sent a letter to President-elect Taft explaining the attitude of China on certain vital questions.

VALPARAISO, February 25.—The government purposes constructing a wireless telegraph tower in the Straits of Magellan to communicate with a station in this city.

MUNICIPAL CASE

Argument on the mandamus suit, Coster vs. Trent, involving the contest of powers between the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors, began in the Supreme Court this morning, briefs of counsel having been in the hands of the justices for two or three days.

W. A. Kinney argued for the respondent, Treasurer Trent. E. M. Watson, the associate counsel, being present a part of the time. Kinney relied on the general power of appointment of officers conferred on the Mayor by the charter.

Assistant City and County Attorney F. W. Milverton argued for the petitioner. His main ground was the failure of the charter to designate the officers whom the Mayor should appoint. He showed that the San Francisco charter from which Section 116 of the Honolulu charter providing for appointments in December was copied, was distinguished other wise from the local instrument in that it specified each and every officer to be appointed by the Mayor.

Their Honors freely catechized Mr. Milverton, Justice Wilder being especially eager. His questions amounted to a cross-examination of the municipal Deputy attorney and were often interjected into the answers while being made.

Chief Justice Hartwell and Justice Ballou also put many queries having the points made at bar explained in every possible bearing.

Mr. Milverton had not quite concluded at the noon recess. Mr. Kinney said he would have no reply to make. City and County Attorney J. W. Cathcart intimated that he desired to say "two or three words."

Recess was taken till two o'clock. Mayor Fern and his secretary, C. L. Rhodes and Treasurer Trent were present all morning and there was a crowd of the general public in attendance which filled all the courtroom space for spectators as well as the inner lobby.

9 TONS TO THE ACRE STAYTON FINED \$100

FUKUSHIMA TO PRISON THREE MONTHS FOR OFFERING BRIBE TO CUSTOMS INSPECTOR.

John T. Stayton, who had pleaded guilty, was sentenced by Judge Dole to pay a fine of \$100 and costs for opening letters addressed to postoffice officials while he was assistant postmaster of Honolulu.

Fukushima, who pleaded guilty to bribery, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$6 and costs and be imprisoned three months. He offered \$2 to a customs inspector to pass a parcel ashore, and the law makes the fine for such an offence treble the amount of the proffered bribe.

Shortage of water for fluming purposes prevented us from getting off all the cane intended for this crop (1908), our total output only exceeded the estimate by a few hundred tons.

ANNUAL CLEAN-UP SALE.
The annual clean-up sale of wash materials will begin Monday, March 1st at Sachs'.

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ACCEPTED ALAMEDA WIRELESS

THE OCEANIC "FERRY BOAT" SENDS A MESSAGE FROM 900 MILES AWAY—WILL BE OFF DIAMOND HEAD AT NINE O'CLOCK TOMORROW MORNING—HAS NINETY-TWO CABIN PASSENGERS AND 21 STEERAGE.

Wm. G. Irwin & Co., Ltd., Agents, are in receipt of the following wireless messages from the S. S. "Alameda":
Feb. 23.—"Eight P. M. All well 900 miles from Honolulu. 1200 tons cargo. 92 cabin, 21 steerage passengers."
Feb. 24.—"All well, 585 miles from Diamond Head. Will be off Diamond Head at 9 A. M. Friday."

The "Old Reliable" Honolulu ferry, Alameda, has made good in the matter of wireless equipment.

Some weeks ago it was announced that she would install wireless apparatus on her present trip to the Coast, but no news of her actually being fitted out had been received here until this morning, when two messages came in together, although they were sent from the steamer a day apart.

In explanation of the delay in the receipt of the first message, it is stated that the operator at Kahuku was ill at the time of its arrival, and failed to send it in to Honolulu until after the arrival of the second message.

HOUSE KEEPS UP BUSINESS RECORD

The calm prevails, the calm before the storm of eloquence and argument which must soon break in the House of Representatives, or else some of the faces that surround the desks, belie their signals.

In the meanwhile preliminary work is in a stage more advanced than any previous legislature could boast.

Kaniho, that forceful Hawaiian rhetorician, is perhaps just now mentally engaged over his coming great hula dance and Hawaiian tableaux at the Opera House, the like of which he generally makes a success, for as yet he has not relieved the volcano of speech of which he is the proud possessor.

Douthitt, Cohen, Shingle and Castro are giving signs of restiveness, like good hounds in leash, and soon from their throats must pour stirring pleadings for the enactment of laws they and their constituents desire.

Sheldon is already bubbling, today the Speaker had to tell the Clerk to call his name again on the vote of a third reading; he knew his vote but felt like playing; and then Sheldon laughed from mere superfluity of energy.

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